any of the Kendriya Vidyalayas han been received in the Kendriya Vidyalaya San-Kathan (Headquarters).

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Supply of Thionyichloride by Indian Companies to Iran

1880. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY;
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
KUMARI SAYEEDA KHATUN:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRs be pleased to state ;

(a) whether it is a fact that an Indian manufacturer has supplied to Iran, Iraq and Egypt 257 tonnes of Thionyichloride which could be used for manufacturer of chemical weapons as alleged by Bush Administration, if so, what are the de tails thereof;

(b) whether the report about the supply of the chemical is correct; and

(c) whether Government have taken up the issue with the Government of United States?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO) : (a) and (b). An Indian firm had entered into a contract with a UAE company for the supply of 257 tonnes of Thionyl Chloride. This chemical, which is P. v:!ely traded commodity, has many industrial uses such as the manufacture of pesticides, engineering plastics and as chlorinating agents and catalysts. It can also be used for the manufacture of chemical weapons. Its export is not banned under any International agreement. According to the Information received by us. the Indian firm had entered into an export contract after obtaining an enduse certificate *to* the effect that the chemical would be used for permitted industrial purposes.

(o) The question of Government taking up the issue with the Government of United States does not arise.

Sale of GHN-45 Cannons by Austria to Pakistan

1881. SHRI KAPIL VERMA :
SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Austria is about to sell to Pakistan a number of GHN-45 cannons through its state" owned Howitzer-maker NORICUM;

(b) whether this was the cannon which India had refused in favou$_r$ of Bofors; and

(c) whether the issue is being taken up by India with Austrian Governnment 7

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO) : (a) Government have seen press reports On this subject.

(b) In 1984$_?$ the Autrian manufac turer had proposed the supply of a weapon- described as GHN-45. This was a 155 mm field Howitzer It is not known whether, in terms of design$_i$ manufacture or performance an identical weapon has been offered to Pakistan.

(c) Government keeps a constant watch on such issues and invariably takes them up with the concerned countries through diplomatic channels as and when neces sary.

Preparation of panel of Teachers by K.V.S. in violation of Govt. Norms

1882. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA : Wfll the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(al whether it is a fact that the length of the panel of Government employee' selected for direct recruitment cannot be more than the number of vacancies advertised:

flO if so whether it f$_s$ also a fact that Kendriva Vidvalava Sansathan has violated their instructions while preparing

select panel lor Post Graduate Teachers and has prepared a panel in the ratio ot 1:1:3;

(c) if so, whether it is also a fact that process of lengthening it further is go ing on by reducing cut off marks fur ther; and

(d) if so, what is the justification therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHRI SHANKER): (a) In Government of India the Selection Committees are, required to prepare the select panels for direct recruitment to the extent of declared number of vacancies. In case the size of the select panel exceeds the declared number of vacancies, the names of Ae persons exceeding auch declared vacancies should be treated % being kept in the reserve for benig operated against the dropout vacancies.

(b) to (d). For recruitment of '.each-ens in Kendriya Vidyalayas, Kendriya Vidyalayas Sangathan draws up select panel larger than the declared number of vacancies. The number of candidates called for interview is in the ratio of 1:8. The cut off marks are determined accordingly.

Change in essential qualifications for Recruitment of Teachers in K.V.S.

1888. DR. R. K. \PODDAR :

PROF C. LAKSHMANNA :

DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY:

SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM :

SHRT CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV :

SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM:

SHRI PUTTAPAGA RADHAKRISHNA :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Chairman of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan is competent to change essential qualifications prescribed by the Board of Governors for recruitment of different categories of teachers;

(b) whether it is also a fact that such decisions are to be ratified by the Board at its first meeting thereafter;

(c) if so, whether the recent changes effected at the instance of the Chairman of K.V.S. in the essential qualifications for the post of TGT have been ratified at the meeting of the Board of Gover-«Ors of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan held on the 13th Juty, 19«9; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in the affirmative, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER) : (a) to (d) The Board of Governors at its 46th meeting held on 3-12-85, delegated the powers to approve the recruitment rules f$^{\circ T}$ aU categories of posts in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan to the Chairman, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan subject to adoption by the Board of Governors. The changes in the essential qualifications for the post of Trained Graduate Teacher as approved by the Chairman, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan would be placed before the Board of Governors at its next meeting.

Identification of dead bodies in Island Express accident

1884. SHRl THOMAS KUTHIRAVATTOM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state;

(a) whether all the passengers who died in Island Express accident near